

UTAH UPDATE USTFIELD PILOT PROJECT

CITY-FRONT PROJECT (2002 Pilot Project)

The site is located on the west side of Salt Lake, and is the former location of a bowling alley and residential housing. The property was slated for use as Olympic-2002-related media housing. However, with the discovery of a petroleum-based groundwater plume during the building demolition phase, the funding and construction process was put on-hold. The site was a vacant lot, with final financing of the project being contingent upon the lender receiving a “No further action” letter from the Utah Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ).



PARTNERS

Utah Department of Environmental Quality
Salt Lake Neighborhood Housing Services
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Salt Lake City Housing Division
Local Developer/Investment Firm

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Property owners installed groundwater monitoring wells as part of the Phase I environmental site assessment required by the lender. DEQ began overseeing the groundwater monitoring program in December 2001.
- DEQ prepared a cleanup plan for the groundwater and conducted monthly treatments (hydrogen peroxide injections) of all groundwater monitoring wells at the site, and conducted monthly monitoring to document any cleanup progression.
- Following successful cleanup activities, the site was issued a regulatory closeout “No Further Action” letter from DEQ in April 2002.
- Development of the property is currently underway with groundbreaking ceremonies held on May 15, 2002 hosted by Salt Lake Neighborhood Housing Services and Bridge Partners, Incorporated, and attended by members of the Salt Lake City Council and the Salt Lake City Mayor’s Office.
- Affordable housing as a four-story apartment building with commercial use on the ground floor and 155 apartment units on the upper three stories will be completed sometime in 2003.

